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FM AMEMBASSY CAPE TOWN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3914

INFO AMCONSUL DURBAN

AMEMBASSY GABORONE

AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG

AMEMBASSY MASERU

AMEMBASSY MBABANE

AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

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TAGS: PFOR, SF, US

SUBJ: SAG VISA POLICIES

REF: PRETORIA 1652 AND 2431

1. DURING MEETING WITH FONMIN MULLER AND FONSEC FOURIE
AUGUST 1, AMBASSADOR AND POL COUNSELOR ONCE AGAIN RAISED
SUBJECT OF VISAS FOR AMERICANS ASSIGNED TO BLS COUNTRIES.
AMBASSADOR REPEATED SPECIFICS OF OUR COMPLAINT AND OBSERVED
THAT HE FOREWAW DEFINITE POSSIBILITY THAT RECIPROCITY COULD
BE CONSIDERED BY USG. HE STRESSED THAT 1956 VISA AGREEMENT
BETWEEN U.S. AND SOUTH AFRICA VERY SPECIFICALLY PROVIDES FOR
GRATIS ONE-YEAR MULTIPLE-ENTRY VISAS FOR CITIZENS OF BOTH
COUNTRIES.

2. FOURIE SAID SAG WAS STILL LOOKING AT THIS QUESTION. MULLER
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SAID HE THOUGHT THAT HE COULD GIVE US AN ANSWER WITHIN

A WEEK OR SO. FOURIE, HOWEVER, REMINDED MULLER THAT WITH
NO CONFIDENCE DEBATE BEGINNING IN PARLIAMENT AUGUST 5, IT
DOUBTFUL THAT THOSE CABINET MINISTERS WHO CONCERNED WITH
VISA QUESTION COULD REACH DECISION QUITE THAT SOON.
HOWEVER, WE WOULD HAVE SAG'S RESPONSE TO OUR DEMARCHE
WITHIN NEAR FUTURE.
HURD.

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